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Applicants	Pieter Adriaan Oosterling, <i>et al.</i>
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Washington, DC 20231

Election Pursuant to Restriction Requirement

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the outstanding Office Action dated September 23, 2002.

Applicants hereby elect the invention of the embodiment of Figures 4-5 for prosecution in this case. The embodiment of Figure 2 is reserved for filing in a future application, if necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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